Maryland SESAC

SPECIAL EDUCATION STATE ADVISORY COMMMITTEE

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SPECIAL EDUCATION STATE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SESAC) MEETING January 20, 2015

Attendees: Kelly Meisner, Carmen Brown, Rachel London, Rhonda Creecy, Kathy Kaufman, Neal Lichter, Sarah Wayland, Pamela Talley, Brian Fausel, Yvonne Hu-Cotto, Martha Goodman, Ann Sholz, Donna Riley, Julie Reiley, Alice Harriman

I. Welcome/Introductions

Kelly opened the mtg with introductions by all

Review and approval of minutes – request via email to double check attendance – document review indicators and SESAC approval of the targets. Motion to approve and seconded as amended.

II. Donna provided a presentation on SPP/APR – submission 2.2.2015.

Indicator #14 -

Discussion of how data is captured and altering target to less than 50% and move to 25%. And lower B from 73% to 55%. SESAC recommends target for A be set at 35% and move 1% each year = 40% in 2018-motioned and seconded with agreement by 5 appointed members. One in opposition. One abstained. SESAC recommends target for B be set at 68% with expectation for 1% growth annually –motioned and seconded with agreement by 7 members. SESAC recommends target for C be kept at 82% with a 1% increase- motioned and seconded with agreement by 7 members.

SESAC agreed not to leave targets flat in order to provide a realistic target that moves us forward.

Indicator #3 – keep at 95%

Indicator 3a – keep at 8%

Indicator 3b – keep at 95%

Indictor 3c – keep at same

Motioned and seconded to keep targets the same. 7 voting members in agreement.

Indicator #6a - 64.3% with a .5% increase per year

Indicator #6b -17.90% with a .5% decrease per year

Motioned and seconded with agreement by 7 members.

Inidcator #7 – keep same

Indicator #7a 1&2 – keep same

Indicator #7b 1&2 – keep same

Indicator #7 1&2c – keep same

Motioned and seconded to keep targets the same. 7 voting members in agreement

Indicator #8 preschool and school age – proposed targets

Motioned and seconded to move forward with proposed target with agreement by 7 members.

Indicator #12 - 100% is the required target

Indicator #15 - 64% - 75%

Motioned and seconded to keep same target with proposed target agreement by 7 members.

Indicator #16 – 75%-80%

Motioned and seconded to keep same target with proposed target agreement by 7 members.

Brief SSIP overview – new this year- will review with SESAC at March mtg, before submission.

III. Public Comment -

Alice - Washington County PS

Representation of "various groups" from the autism community – request for a third graduation track for children who are not finding academic success with accommodations and interventions. They are not eligible for DDA vocational services because they are not on certificate track, yet not learning in academic classes with same age peers.

Julie – alternative HS diploma – letter from Jeanne Taylor

Sarah – support for modified diploma track – will provide copy of letter

IV. Strategic Agenda:

Kelly & Carmen – recommendation for expanded executive session in February to continue agenda from today's meeting – February 9^{th} 1:30-4 at Parent's Place

Next General Mtg: March 17th 9 am -12pm General mtg followed by SSIP mtg

JHU/CTE, 6740 Alexander Bell Dr Columbia, MD 21046

Next Executive Team Mtg: April 14th 10am-12pm

Parents' Place of Maryland 801 Cromwell Park Dr. Suite 103 Glen Burnie, MD 21061